FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAY PROGRAM

Committee on Public Works: Special Subcommittee on Federal-aid highway program met in executive session. No announcements were made.

MEXICAN FARM LABOR

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule, waiving points of order, with 1 hour debate on H.R. 2010, the Mexican farm labor bill.

Witnesses heard on granting of a rule were Representatives Cooley, Gathings, Hoeven, and Teague of Texas.

COMMITTEE INVESTIGATIONS—SELECT COMMITTEE

Committee on Rules: Held a hearing and deferred action on H. Res. 38, to create a select committee to study seizure and detention of American citizens in foreign countries; H. Res. 57, to provide that the Education and Labor Committee conduct an investigation and study of discrimination in employment against persons over 40 years of age; and H. Res. 58, to authorize the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to investigate and study safety of design of motor vehicles used in interstate commerce.

Heard the authors of the resolutions, Representatives Johansen (H. Res. 38), and Lane (H. Res. 57 and 58).

VETERANS' COMPENSATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Compensation and Pension continued hearings on all the committee's measures relating to veterans' compensation. Testimony was given by Veterans' Administration officials. Hearings continue May 10.

TAXES—IMPORTATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills:

H.R. 2244 (amended), relating to the deduction for income tax purposes of contributions to charitable organizations whose sole purpose is making distributions to other charitable organizations, contributions to which by individuals are deductible within the 30-percent limitation of adjusted gross income;

H.R. 2585 (amended), relating to the credits against the employment tax in the case of certain successor employers; and

H.R. 4449 (amended), to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 with respect to the importation of certain articles for religious purposes.

The committee will continue in executive session Monday, May 1.

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House passed 21 miscellaneous bills. Conferees agreed to file conference report on minimum wage bill. See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1751-1758; and S. Res. 132.

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Sundry Measures Passed: Senate took up and passed six sundry measures, as follows:

Printing—school aid: S. Res. 126, to print as a Senate document, memorandums relating to constitutional issues on S. 1021, proposed School Assistance Act (with committee amendment);

Congressional Record: S. 1748, to provide for increased distribution of the Congressional Record to the Federal judiciary;

Police Week: S.J. Res. 65, designating the week of May 14-20, 1961, as Police Week, and designating May 15, 1961, as Peace Officers Memorial Day;

Public Works Week: S.J. Res. 68, designating the week of October 1, 1961, as National Public Works Week;

Interfaith Day: S.J. Res. 24, designating the fourth Sunday of September of each year as Interfaith Day; and

Variety Artists Week: S.J. Res. 34, designating the week of October 9-15, 1961, as National American Guild of Variety Artists Week.

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Confirmations: Senate confirmed the nominations of Richard M. Scammon, of Minnesota, to be Director of the Census; Louis J. Doyle, of Maryland, to be General Counsel, Post Office Department; and eight judicial nominations.

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Nominations: Eight Army nominations were received.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS-INTER-AMERICAN PROGRAM

Committee on Appropriations: On Friday, April 28, committee held executive hearings on H.R. 6518, making appropriations for the Inter-American Social and Economic Cooperation Program. Testimony was received from George W. Ball, Under Secretary of State for Economic Affairs; C. Douglas Dillon, Secretary of the Treasury; and Adolph A. Berle, Chairman, and Lincoln Gordon, consultant, both of the President's task force on Latin America.

Committee will hold an executive session tomorrow to mark up this bill.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee resumed its hearings on fiscal 1962 budget estimates for the Department of the Interior, and related agencies, having as its witnesses Senator Symington, who was accompanied by Mayor Tucker, of St. Louis, who discussed funds for St. Louis parks; Senator Holland, on a land acquisition item for Everglades National Park, Fla.; and Conrad L. Wirth, Director, National Parks Service, on funds for his department.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

CUBA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on American Republics Affairs met in executive session to receive a briefing on the situation in Cuba from Secretary of State Dean Rusk.

On Friday, April 28, subcommittee, with the full committee invited to attend, also held a discussion on this matter.

INVESTIGATIONS—MISSILE CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Government Operations: On Friday, April 28, the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings to inquire into strikes, work stoppages, excessive costs, and inefficiencies in the missile construction industry, having as its witnesses Edwin R. Brown, Associated General Contractors of America, Inc., Orlando, Fla.; Jacob S. Martin, Martin Construction Co., Cocoa Beach, Fla.; Grover J. Carter, of the Carl Smith Construction Co., Orlando; and Joseph W.

Morgan, general organizer, International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Miami Beach.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: On Friday, April 28, Subcommittee on Indian Affairs, in executive session, approved for full committee consideration S. 870, to amend the Menominee Termination Act to extend Federal supervision of the Menominee Tribe (amended); and S. 751, extending for 5 years the termination date of the Indian Claims Commission (amended).

IDENTICAL BIDDING IN ELECTRICAL INDUSTRY

Committee on the Judiciary: On Friday, April 28, the Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings on identical bidding in the electrical manufacturing industry, receiving further testimony from Ray Smith, formerly vice president and general manager, General Electric Co.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: On Friday, April 28, the Subcommittee on Health held hearings on S. 1072, proposed Health Professions Educational Assistance Act of 1961. Witnesses heard were Abraham Ribicoff, Secretary, accompanied by Dr. Boisfeuillet Jones, Special Assistant to the Secretary for Health and Medical Affairs, Dr. Wilbur J. Cohen, Assistant Secretary, Dr. Luther Terry, Surgeon General, and Dr. William Stewart, Public Health Service, all of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare; Dr. Francis Herz, American Dental Association, who was accompanied by Dr. William R. Mann, Kellogg Foundation Institute, University of Michigan; and Dr. Harry Lyons, accompanied by R. H. Sullens, both of the American Association of Dental Schools.

Hearings continue on Wednesday, May 3.

GOVERNMENT PER DIEM ALLOWANCES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Civil Service Subcommittee held and concluded hearings on S. 470, increasing the rates of per diem allowances for Government employees traveling on official business. Testimony favoring enactment of the bill, some with suggested amendments, was received from the following witnesses: John W. Macy, Jr., Chairman, Civil Service Commission; George G. Mullins, Bureau of the Budget, who was accompanied by Dayton W. Hull, Office of Personnel, Department of State; John A. McCart, American Federation of Government Employees; John G. Brady, National Association of Internal Revenue Employees; John F. O'Connor, United Federation of Post Office Clerks; Dan Jaspan, National Association of

Postal Supervisors; James K. Langan, AFL Government Employees Council; Ross A. Messer, National Association of Post Office & General Service Maintenance Employees; John W. McKay, National Postal Union; and Everett Gibson, National Federation of Post Office Motor Vehicle Employees, the latter three of whom inserted written statements in the record.

It was announced that the record would remain open until Friday, May 5, for inclusion of additional written material.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 23 public bills, H.R. 6713-6735; 8 private bills, H.R. 6736-6743; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 398, H. Con. Res. 230, and H. Res. 271 and 272, were introduced.

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Report of the Committee on Government Operations entitled "Health Research and Training—The Administration of Grants and Awards by the National Institutes of Health," filed on April 28 (H. Rept. 321);

H. Res. 271, providing for the consideration of, I hour of debate on, and the waiving of points of order against, H.R. 2010, to amend title V of the Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended, relative to extension of Mexican farm labor program (H. Rept. 322);

H.R. 4614, to establish an office of international travel and tourism in the Department of Commerce, amended

(H. Rept. 323);

Third report by the Committee on Government Operations entitled "Air Force Ballistic Missile Management (Formation of Aerospace Corporation)" (H. Rept. 324);

H.R. 6094, to amend section 4 of the Employment Act of 1946 relative to increasing salaries granted the Council of Economic Advisers, amended (H. Rept.

325); and

H.R. 6713, to amend certain laws relating to Federalaid highways and to make certain adjustments in the Federal-aid highway program (H. Rept. 326).

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Economic Report: The Joint Economic Committee was granted permission to file a report with individual views by noon Tuesday.

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Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Sent to the Senate without amendments:

Foreign agents registration: H.R. 470, to amend sections 1 and 3 of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938.

U.S. flag design: H.R. 1743, providing for the design of the flag of the U.S.

Florida mineral rights: H.R. 2898, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to sell reserved phosphate interests of the U.S. in lands located in the State of Florida to the record owners of the surface thereof.

Fort Vancouver, Wash.: H.R. 3283, to revise the boundaries and to change the name of Fort Vancouver National Monument, in the State of Washington.

Florida mineral rights: H.R. 3526, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to sell reserve phosphate interests of the U.S. in lands located in the State of Florida to the record owners of the surface thereof.

Joshua Tree Monument, Calif.: H.R. 5416, to include within the boundaries of Joshua Tree National Monument, in the State of California, certain federally owned lands used in connection with said monument.

Virginia land transfer: H.R. 5475, to transfer a section of Blue Ridge Parkway to the Shenandoah National Park, in the State of Virginia.

Interlocutory relief: H.R. 5656, to provide for reasonable notice applications to the U.S. courts of appeals for interlocutory relief against the orders of certain agencies.

Park lands exchange: H.R. 5765, to authorize the purchase and exchange of land and interests therein on the Blue Ridge and Natchez Trace Parkways.

Military relief: H.R. 6244, for the relief of certain members of the uniformed services erroneously in receipt of family separation allowances.

Sent to the Senate amended:

Veterans: H.J. Res. 73, providing for a study by the Veterans' Administration into the problems of veterans who are elderly, chronically ill, or otherwise handicapped.

Federal claims settlement: H.R. 310, to amend title 10, U.S. Code, to authorize the Secretary of Defense, the Secretaries of the military departments, and the Secretary of the Treasury, to settle certain claims for damage to, or loss of, property, or personal injury or death, not cognizable under any other law.

Virginia school board relief: H.R. 1627, for the relief of Princess Anne County School Board.

Water-hyacinth transportation: H.R. 2041, to amend the U.S. Code with respect to transportation of water-hyacinth and seeds

hyacinths and seeds.

Alaskan land withdrawal: H.R. 2279, to provide for the withdrawal from the public lands in the Granite Creek area, Alaska, for use by the Department of the Army at Fort Greely, Alaska.

Alaskan land withdrawal: H.R. 2280, to provide for the withdrawal of certain public lands 40 miles east of Fairbanks, Alaska, for use by the Department of the

Army as a Nike range.

Alaskan land withdrawal: H.R. 2281, to reserve for use by the Department of the Army at Fort Richardson, Alaska, certain public lands in the Campbell Creek areas

Alaskan land withdrawal: H.R. 2282, to provide for the withdrawal from the public domain of certain lands in Ladd-Eielson area, Alaska for use by the Department of the Army as the Yukon Command training site, Alaska.

Alaskan land withdrawal: H.R. 2283, to provide for the withdrawal from the public domain of certain lands in the Big Delta area, Alaska, for continued use by the Department of the Army at Fort Greely.

Federal drivers' defense: H.R. 2883, to provide for the defense of suits against Federal employees arising out of their operation of motor vehicles in the scope of

their employment.

Effigy Mounds Monument, Iowa: H.R. 5571, to provide for the addition or additions of certain lands to the Effigy Mounds National Monument in the State of Iowa.

Bills not considered:

Objected to: H.R. 861 and 3247. Pages 6972-6982

Committee To Sit: Permission to sit during the sessions of the House for the balance of the week was granted to the Committee on Education and Labor and all its subcommittees.

Bill Referred: S. 881, to permit documentation of vessels sold or transferred abroad, was referred to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:06 p.m.

Committee Meetings

GENERAL FARM BILL

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on H.R. 6400, to improve and protect farm prices and farm income, to increase farmer participation in the development of farm programs, to adjust supplies of agricultural commodities in line with the requirements therefor, to improve distribution and expand exports of agricultural commodities, to liberalize and extend farm credit services, to protect the interest of consumers. Heard various public witnesses.

On Friday, April 28, the committee heard public witnesses on H.R. 6400.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

Committee on Armed Services: On Friday, April 28, the Subcommittee for Special Investigations held a hearing on overpricing of Government contracts, and heard Air Force and Navy witnesses. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ARMED SERVICES MISCELLANY

Committee on Armed Services: On Friday, April 28, Subcommittee No. 1, in executive session, ordered reported to the full committee H.R. 4322, to authorize payment of costs for certain U.S. nationals before foreign tribunals; H.R. 4323, to provide special pay for diving duty; H.R. 4324, to provide uniformity in certain conditions of entitlement to reenlistment bonuses under the Career Compensation Act of 1949; H.R. 4325, to increase the pay of certain permanent professors at the U.S. Military Academy and the U.S. Air Force Academy; and H.R. 4326, to provide that the Secretary of the Navy shall prescribe the compensation of the academic dean of the Naval Postgraduate School.

Prior to taking action on the measures the subcommittee heard testimony from Department of Defense personnel. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: The Subcommittee on Housing continued hearings on H.R. 6028, to assist in the provision of housing for moderate and low income families, to promote orderly urban development, to extend and amend laws relating to housing, urban renewal, and community facilities. Heard various public witnesses. Hearings continue Tuesday, May 2.

On Friday, April 28, the subcommittee heard public

witnesses on H.R. 6028.

D.C. JUVENILE COURT-D.C. FIREMEN

Committee on District of Columbia: Subcommittee No. 3 met in executive session to discuss a draft bill regarding a juvenile court for D.C.

On Friday, April 28, the subcommittee concluded hearings on H.R. 4892, to provide a shorter workweek for firemen in D.C., and heard various D.C. officials.

HOME LOAN BANK BOARD

Committee on Government Operations: Friday, April 28, Special Subcommittee on the Home Loan Bank Board continued hearings regarding the Home Loan Bank Board seizure of the Long Beach Federal Savings & Loan Association. Heard testimony from Representative Utt and public witnesses. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ROUSH-CHAMBERS INVESTIGATION

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections met in executive session regarding the investigation being conducted to determine whether J. Edward Roush or George O. Chambers is to be seated as a Member of Congress from the Fifth District of Indiana. No announcements were made, and the subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs heard testimony on H.R. 5219, to grant 81 acres of public domain to the Cocopah Indians in Arizona; H.R. 5235, to authorize the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon to acquire land within the boundaries of their reservation; and H.R. 4945, to set aside certain lands in Washington for Indians of the Quinault Tribe.

Heard Representative Ullman (H.R. 5235), Interior Department officials (all three measures), and an Indian (H.R. 4945). Statements were presented for Representatives Rhodes of Arizona (H.R. 5219), and Hansen (H.R. 4945). Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

On Friday, April 28, the subcommittee heard departmental witnesses on H.R. 4109, to terminate the existence of the Indian Claims Commission.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 took testimony and acted on several private immigration bills.

CORPORATE MERGERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Friday, April 28, Subcommittee No. 5 (Antitrust) continued hearings on H.R. 2882, and similar bills, relating to prior notification of corporate mergers. Testimony was given by Paul Rand Dixon, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission; Fredric T. Suss, General Counsel, Small Business Administration; and public witnesses. Hearings continue Wednesday, May 3.

STEAMSHIP CONFERENCES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Friday, April 28, Special Subcommittee on Steamship Conferences concluded hearings on H.R. 4299, to provide for the operation of steamship conferences, with testimony from Thomas E. Stakem, Chairman, Federal Maritime Board.

FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAY ACT

Committee on Public Works: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H.R. 6713 (a clean bill introduced in lieu of H.R. 5200), the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1961.

NASA APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Science and Astronautics: Met in executive session to receive subcommittee reports on H.R. 6029, to authorize appropriations to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for salaries and expenses, research and development, and construction of facilities. The committee will meet again, Wednesday, May 3, in executive session, on this subject.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Ways and Means: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills:

H.R. 6611, to reduce temporarily the exemption from

duty enjoyed by returning residents;

H.R. 311, to authorize the acceptance by the Government of gifts to be used to reduce the public debt;

H.R. 2017, relating to withholding, for purposes of the income tax imposed by certain cities, on the compensation of Federal employees;

H.R. 4940, relating to duty-free imports of Philippine

tobacco; and

H.R. 1877, a private bill.

The committee will meet again Wednesday, May 3, on the President's tax message.

Joint Committee Meetings

GOVERNMENT PRICE STATISTICS

Joint Economic Committee: Subcommittee on Economic Statistics resumed its hearings on a report prepared by the Price Statistics Review Committee of the National Bureau of Economic Research entitled "The Price Statistics of the Federal Government: Review, Appraisal, and Recommendations." Testimony was received from George J. Stigler, Chairman, University of Chicago, Richard Ruggles, Yale University, Boris Swerling, Stanford University, Dorothy Brady, University of Pennsylvania, and Philip McCarthy, Cornell University, members, all of the Price Statistics Review Committee.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MINIMUM WAGE

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 3935, Fair Labor Standards Amendments of 1961. As agreed by the conferees, the bill would (1) extend minimum wage coverage to approximately 3.6 million workers (provisions for extended coverage to employees of laundry establishments and automobile dealers were deleted from the bill), (2) establish the 5-year escalation period to reach the minimum wage of \$1.25, and the 40-hour workweek, and (3) adopt the so-called inflow test, which means that retail and service enterprises would be covered by the bill, only if they met the following test: (a) the employer must be engaged in commerce or the production of goods for commerce, (b) the employer must receive \$250,000 worth of goods, for resale, which have moved across State lines (so-called inflow test), and (c) the employer must have an annual gross volume of sales of not less than \$1 million, exclusive of excise taxes at the retail level.